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PRT HAPPENINGS

SCREEN ON THE GREEN DEBUTED IN MARCH

Hardeeville's PRT Department is excited to announce its NEW outdoor movie program! <u>The Screen on the Green</u> is a FREE family event that shows A-List movies on a big 20ft outdoor inflatable screen. We had a great crowd for the first event and hope to steadily bring more and more families out. Mayor Harry Williams handed out prizes for the raffle and kids were super excited to partake in the fun! **Burrito Express Food Truck** came out for their inaugural run and was met with welcomed arms! The food was fantastic and priced right! We also had Low Country Snowballs on site.

The department set out on a mission to enhance its programs and events keeping the overall mission and vision of the department at its core. The result has been an array of new programs and events. Brittany Thomas can't wait to showcase this event for the community. When asked what she is most looking forward to, she says "being able to see the wonder in the children's eyes as they watch the movies on the big screen under the stars".

The next Screen on the Green is Friday, April 26th 7:00 PM-9:30 PM Movie starts at dusk, 7:40 ish) call us for more information!

IF YOU ARE HIP...HOP ON OVER TO THE PARK

The Easter Bunny is hopping into the city on Saturday, April 13th! Make plans for this fun family event now!

The PRT hosts this event annually and it's a popular! Over 6000 eggs are tossed out over the bright green turf and sit ready for the "Go" so kids can scramble to pick up as many eggs as they can!

Festivities get started at 10 AM at the Richard Gray Complex located behind City Hall (205 Main Street) and wrap up at 12. The Egg Hunt starts@11 AM so be sure to get there on time!









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RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION (RAC)

- Sherry Carroll, Chair
- Kathy Talbot, Co-Chair
- Brana Snowden
- Amy Chester
- Kevin Lombard
- Ainslev Dalev
- Vacant
- The Recreation Advisory Commission meets on the 2nd Tuesday of every Month, 5:30 @ City Hall

Want to serve? Applications are online at the City's website. For more info, please call us (843) 784-2231

HARDEEVILLE NEEDS COMMUNITY INPUT



IN THE KNOW: "Did you know that the ROMANS were first credited with the "master Plan" idea and process?" NOW YOU KNOW

AUGUST 2018

YOUR INPUT MATTERS...







RICHARD GRAY COMPLEX MASTER PLAN

The PRT Department is VERY excited for the opportunity to plan over the next 6 months the future growth of the Richard Gray Complex located behind City Hall. Our beautiful complex is almost at capacity but we have opportunities to provide improved amenities that will benefit our community. On March 7th, the PRT department kicked off the initial planning meeting with *Witmer*Jones*Keefer* to discuss the plan of action moving forward. Project Kick off starts April 8th @ 5:30 at City Hall with the Recreation Advisory Commission.

Jennifer Combs, PRT Director states "Our complex is used heavily on a daily basis from sun up to sun down and we get constant requests to add more amenities to the existing site." She also explained "The Complex is almost at capacity which shows the increased need for additional amenity resources and we can only expand the complex so much, that is why the master plan is important as it will show us our options to improve, grow and how we can successfully do that in the next 10-15 years." Expansion at the complex has it limits, but improvements and some additions will be the central focus based on an aggressive community and partner needs assessment. The Department will be scheduling the community meetings with the community, partners and stakeholders and needs your valued input as to how we grow and what we focus on in the future. For more information, please contact the PRT Director for a list of community meetings and how you can be a part of this process!



Conceptual drawing by Whitmer, Jones and Keefer for the proposed dog park

HARDEEVILLE PLANS NEW DOG PARK

The city is going to the DOGS! Man's best friend will soon enjoy a new Dog Park in the Richard Gray Complex behind City Hall.

The current space being used as a "dog Park" beside the complex ponds doesn't afford enough space for an adequate dog and human friendly park. There isn't any parking or a leashing area for owners to leash their furry friends before exiting the park.

Looking to do more with less, the PRT Department was tasked to figure out a way to make this Park happen and with partnerships from other departments, we are making it happen! The City's Grant Administrator Mr. Parson's will be applying for \$19,000 in left over grant funds from the PARD fund and with approximately \$41,000 set aside for fencing in the CIP, we are planning on bringing our City a brand new dog park for the community to enjoy. The project should take no more than 6 months to complete depending on the outcome of the grant request. Phasing is also an option we are reviewing to slowly add some options

to the dog park, only the best for our furry friends!





HARDEEVILLE SEEKS DONORS FOR ITS NEW DOG PARK

Every idea begins with a simple dream. PRT has been dreaming up the NEW DOG PARK but needs your help!

We are seeking donations towards the DOG PARK BUILD to include

Themed hydrants H2O stations

Pet Waste Stations

Benches

Trees

Stationary Obstacles

And more!

If you want more information on how you can be a part of the new DOG PARK by giving generously to our park, call the PRT Director for more information

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BARK IN THE PARK COMING...

JUNE 1st

Vaccination Clinic

Pet Walk

Demonstrations

Adoptions

STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFO



GOT AN IDEA FOR PRT?

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ATTENTION all college PRT students! Do you have a passion for parks, recreation and of course tourism? Look no further than Hardeeville PRT for your PAID internship. That's right, PAID internship. Join our team and be a part of one of the fastest growing cities in SC and learn the ins and outs of the biz.

Contact Brittany Thomas for more information.

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For more information contact Hardeeville Parks, Recreation & Tourism Department:

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HARDEEVILLE SUPERSTAR ~ RUBEN CHAIREZ



Ruben Chairez, a resident of Hardeeville has qualified for the Boston Marathon! We wish him luck on April 15th in Boston!



FISHING RODEO MAKES A COMEBACK

May 4th will mark the return of the Hardeeville Fishing Rodeo. Many kids start out their love of fishing participating with their parents or grandparents at a fishing rodeo! We are inviting you to be a part of this traditional family event this year and enjoy lots of FREE items for kids to take home including, shirts, fishing buckets, bags and more. Fried fish and other food will be given out as well!

PRT has established a Fishing Rodeo Committee with partners and community citizens to help plan and secure funding for the event. The next meeting is planned for April 24th @ 11 AM at the Public Work Shop (PRT current offices). We also received a \$1500 sponsorship from Cleland Site Prep Inc. and \$400 from Gunley Stump Grinding Inc & Scianna Painting. A big thank you to all of the members serving to make this a great event for our community youth.





"THE FISH ARE BITING...AND WE MUST GO"

4TH OFF MAIN FIREWORKS CELEBRATION

PRT is always busy and planning the next program or event. MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW! PRT is bringing back the Fireworks Celebration on Saturday, June 29th 2019!!! Time TBD; we have Muddy Creek on tap for musical entertainment, food trucks such as Murican Border and more...Bring the entire family for a fun night celebrating our nations independence!



PRT Hosts Employee Egg Hunt

Even adults like Egg Hunts! Eggs are being hidden around City facilities for our employees to find eggs and prizes! We will run the employee Egg Hunt April 1st through April 18!

First Egg winner is Katie Woodruff from Planning!

